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Filed: November 30, 2001

Applicants: Lonnie O. Ingram, et al. Attorney Docket No.: BCI-009C3C4CN

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- 1. Response to Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application (2 pages, in duplicate);
- 2. Request for 5-Month Extension of Time (1 page, in duplicate);
- 3. Copy of Formalities Letter (1 page); and
- 4. Return postcard.

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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated January 31, 2002, Applicants' attorney submits herewith authorization to charge Deposit Account No. 12-0080 in the amount of <u>\$477.00</u> to cover the total amount due by Applicants (\$370.00 basic filing fee, \$42.00 extra claims fee, and \$65.00 surcharge fee). Applicants are submitting herewith the appropriate Request for a 5-Month Extension of Time.

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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing. Applicant must submit \$ 370 to complete the basic filing fee for a small entity.
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$42.
 - \$42 for 1 independent claims over 3.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(I) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 477.

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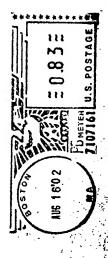
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